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Honorable William J. Casey Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

I recently learned of the Administration's proposal to sell our Government's civil remote sensing satellite systems known as LANDSAT and METSAT. This proposal is of considerable concern to me for many reasons, including its potential impact on our security.

I would appreciate your providing the Subcommittee information on all uses of the data obtained from these satellites by your Agency and on its importance to national security, whether this data could be obtained from other sources, the current cost to your Agency for the data, and the estimated cost of procuring this information following implementation of the Administration's proposal. In addition, I would appreciate receiving your Agency's view of the proposal and any underlying documentation to support that position. Moreover, if your approval of this proposal was conditioned upon the inclusion in a possible contract of certain stipulations which would bind the purchaser, I would appreciate receiving a copy of those stated conditions.

Because of the extreme importance of the issues involved, I would appreciate receiving this information as soon as practicable.

Meanwhile, with every good wish to you, I am

Sincerely

JACK BROOKS Chairman

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